



MONDAY EVENING, NOV. 4, 1907.

TOMORROW WILL be election day. In several States—Maryland, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Kentucky, Mississippi and Louisiana—governors will be elected tomorrow. In Virginia members of both branches of the Legislature are to be chosen, and in five other States minor officers will be chosen. Every voter, putting all excuses aside, should go to the polls and vote. It will cost but a small effort and but little time to perform this service to the State, and no good citizen will omit it. No man who calls himself a democrat should omit to vote against republican rule in Virginia and the democratic nominees to be voted for in this city—C. C. Carlin, for Congress; R. E. Thornton, for the State Senate; and J. R. Cason, for the House of Delegates—should receive the full party support.

IN FOUR weeks the Jamestown Exposition will be no more. On Saturday night, November 30, the lights will go out for the last time on one of the most beautiful fairs ever held in this country, and the act of wrecking the handsome structures and the salvage work will begin soon thereafter. The exposition has not received the encouragement it richly deserved. There may have been some bad management and some lavish, if not reckless, expenditure of money at times, but so far no dishonesty has been charged, and the most charitable construction to be put upon any mismanagement is that it came from the lack of knowledge on the part of the managers as how to conduct so large an undertaking as is a world's fair. Nevertheless and notwithstanding and despite all the "kneecapping" the Jamestown Exposition has received, it is, as a state, one of the most beautiful fairs ever held. The government pier, only completed two months ago, is a magnificent structure and when illuminated at night with myriads of electric lamps is really a thing of beauty. The historic feature of the fair has seldom been equaled and is by far the most interesting of the exhibits, presenting in a pleasing manner the history of this country and of its people, imparting almost at a glance useful knowledge that otherwise would take years to acquire. The government, the liberal arts, the minerals, woods, grain and fruits exhibits, etc., are most excellent and one hardly realizes the vast resources of the various States till after seeing all these at Jamestown. This is especially true of the Old Dominion and it is the duty of every Virginian, whether he lives within or without the borders of the State, to visit the exposition and to see for himself what wonderful progress Virginia has made. A visit to the Jamestown Exposition cannot fail to make a Virginian prouder than ever of Virginia.

UNION LABOR formally repudiated William R. Hearst last Thursday night at a mass meeting in Cooper Union, New York. The Tammany ticket was denounced. On the platform were scores of prominent labor leaders who said they voted and worked for Hearst in the last two campaigns but could no longer follow him. One of the speakers said:

I voted for Hearst last year, and the Lord forgive me for it. He claims to be the laboring man's friend. There is but one honest man in New York and that is he, so he says. Now we have a chance to beat him and repudiate him.

The following was among the declarations made at the meeting:

We believe the time has arrived when the common people will show Mr. Hearst that they are not one of his chattels, to be used by him as one of his pawns in his political chess board in the game of politics played by this ex-cited leader, whose only interest in life is to aspire for an office that is beyond the reach of a man who has shown himself to be devoid of principle, honor and common decency.

It has always been believed that working men, sooner or later, would find it to their advantage to cut loose from Mr. Hearst.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT is being urged to call an extra session of Congress to deal with the financial and business situation, and has been assured that the great industries of the country will not oppose his policy of federal control of corporations. Exactly what Congress has to do with the Wall Street panic and few people can tell, but even if it has, the regular session begins in four weeks and it would seem to most reasonable people that those who brought about the trouble could wait that time for legislation in their behalf.

THE municipal elections held last Friday in England and Wales were noteworthy for the almost general defeat of the socialist and other candidates of "advanced views" and for an equally pronounced triumph for the conservatives. This will be gratifying intelligence to well thinking people in this country. From socialism there is but one step to anarchism and this is repugnant to all common sense.

ADVICE from Paris say that a high tariff bill is being drafted which will seriously affect the United States unless a reciprocal treaty can be arranged. The "standpatters" in this country will eventually find out that erecting high tariff walls is a game which more than one can play.

EVERY man should take an interest in politics. It is part of his duty as a good citizen to do so. If the people studied public questions they could remedy every evil which confronts them. See that good honest democrats represent you.

It is said in Baltimore that a combination of independent cracker manufacturers, to be known as the General Biscuit Company, is in process of formation. What has become of the anti-trust laws?

### From Washington.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)

Washington, Nov. 4.

Having failed to draw Lieut. Gov. Sanders, of Louisiana, into a pistol duel, Donald O'Flynn, an ex-former United States Senator, on Saturday, spread thousands of posters over New Orleans billboards calling Mr. Sanders a "common liar and poltroon." Sanders maintains he cannot at this time give O'Flynn personal satisfaction, however much he would like to. Holding one public office and being a candidate for another, he contends that he is not in a position to meet O'Flynn or any one else in a mortal combat. Sanders declares himself however personally responsible for the utterances which caused the trouble, and adds: "I am prepared to meet that responsibility, and Mr. O'Flynn knows where to find me."

Israel Ludlow, aeronautic expert, is in Washington to confer with the War Department on the construction of the first dirigible balloon to be owned by the United States army. Ludlow will present a plan for an airship to carry two men, and to have a speed of not less than twenty-five miles an hour. The gravity of the present financial situation was emphasized today by a two-hour conference held at the White House between the President, E. H. Gary, chairman of the United States corporation; Henry C. Frick, the Pittsburgh steel millionaire; and, for a part of the time, Secretary of State Root. It is believed that they brought with them certain recommendations agreed upon by the captains of finance and industry who met with J. Pierpont Morgan last night. When the gentlemen left they hurried away, refusing to be interviewed. Secretary Cortelyou was not present at the conference, but it is understood that during its progress he was communicated with by telephone. It is reported this afternoon that the President may issue a public statement on the subject. Secretary of State Root, after the conference at the White House, said that there would be no extra session of Congress.

Rumors that Rear Admiral Evans might be disciplined because of his speech before the Lotus Club in New York, Saturday, in which he said that his battleship fleet would be ready for either "fight or frolic," are denied here. On the contrary high officials of the navy department find nothing to criticize in his remarks. There has been no secret made at the department that when the big fleet sails from Hampton Roads, December 16, it will be in fighting trim. While no fighting is remotely contemplated, therefore, the big ships will be prepared for it, if necessary, and Admiral Evans delayed no official secret when he said so.

President Roosevelt will leave on the midnight Pennsylvania train for New York in order to cast his vote at Oyster Bay tomorrow. He will be accompanied by Secretary Loeb and two or three members of the White House clerical force who vote in the east. He expects to be back in Washington about 6 p. m. Tuesday. It is the President's intention to make his hurried trip as quietly as possible. No speeches are on his program.

The Weather Bureau this afternoon issued the following election day weather bulletin: Fair weather is indicated for Tuesday generally over the country except in New England, New York, northern Pennsylvania, New Jersey and northern Ohio, where rains are likely to occur. Temperature will be moderate in all sections.

Railroads in Massachusetts will have to sell tickets for the transportation of children to school at reduced rates so the U. S. Supreme Court decided today.

Word was received today from the commandant of the Mare Island Navy Yard that the riveters who proposed to go on strike there have abandoned their intentions and have gone back to work. They were warned against a strike by Acting Secretary Newberry of the Navy. The State of South Carolina went out in the U. S. Supreme Court today in its famous \$1.75 banana case. The value of the goods involved is believed to be a low water mark. The court held the statute providing a fine of \$50 upon railroads for the failure to settle for the non-delivery of shipments was constitutional.

### MYSTERIOUS DEATH.

Walter Farnsworth Baker, the millionaire Harvard graduate, clubman and bon vivant, whose sudden and mysterious death at the home of his friend, Frank Hurd, in Bogota, N. J., Sunday last week, has stirred the Baker family to swift investigation, died from poison. This was established Saturday when analysis of the contents of the stomach disclosed enough chloral hydrate, or "knockout drops," to kill three men. Following the discovery came the significant statement that an arrest soon would be made, and also that other causes besides poison might have contributed to Baker's death. It is reported that in his will half a million dollars was left to a "very dear friend."

John Mitchell's Condition Critical. Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 4.—Word was received at the mine headquarters that John Mitchell, of that organization, who is in the hospital at La Salle, Ill., has suffered a relapse. His condition is critical, but there is little likelihood of the change either way for several days.

Wholesale Murder and Suicide. Stuttgart, Germany, Nov. 1. Christian Rath, a carpenter, suddenly went insane last night, killed his wife, three children and his sister and then committed suicide.

### News of the Day.

The Lusitania and the Kronprinz sin Ceille are speeding across the Atlantic with nearly \$20,000 in gold for New York banks.

In the football game in New York on Saturday between Princeton and the Carolina Indians, the former won by a score of 16 to 0.

Mr. Henry Bishop, widely known as "Bishop, the Bird Man," died at his residence in Baltimore yesterday. He was born in Germany 61 years ago.

F. Lappenburg, a Hamburg banking and brokerage firm, also engaged extensively in exporting and importing, suspended today owing to losses through customers.

Isaac D. Surratt, whose mother was executed for alleged complicity in the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln, died in Baltimore yesterday aged sixty-six years.

The American Tobacco Company has ordered the closing down of practically all its cigarette-making plants in Baltimore, throwing between 500 and 600 employes out of work.

The Emperor and Empress of Germany, accompanied by Chancellor von Buelow and other German officials, will be the guests of King Edward and Queen Alexandra for a week from November 11 at Windsor Castle.

The anniversary Saturday of the birthday of King Edward of Great Britain will be marked by the presentation to him on behalf of the people of the Transvaal of the great Cullinan diamond, the value of which approximates \$800,000.

That the death of Col. Leverett H. Walker, U. S. A., commander of the coast defenses in the vicinity of Boston, was caused by the 15 mile horseback test ride ordered by President Roosevelt, is the declaration of Dr. Ben. H. Metcalf, of Winthrop.

John Sweeney, a married man, 35 years old, narrowly escaped lynching at Marietta, Ohio, yesterday, following his attack on Anna Koon, 14 years old. The police rescued Sweeney on the river bank and fought the crowd all the way to the station house.

It is rumored that Scotland Yard has unearthed a plot to attempt the Kaiser's life during his coming visit to London with his consort. That English socialists had planned hostile demonstrations along the line of the procession from Paddington station to the Guild Hall is asserted.

An extra west bound freight train got beyond the control of the crew on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad on Cranberry grade, at McMillan, W. Va., twenty miles west of Cumberland, last night, and collided with a fast freight, resulting in the death of two men and several injuries.

Lying side by side, Michilina Balladino and Juliette Filitto, two pretty Italian girls, aged 16 and 15 respectively, who recently came to this country, were found dead Saturday from asphyxiation in the home of their uncle, Frank Balladino, in New York. The girls were in the room when the window closed. Balladino says the girls either failed to turn off the gas completely or else blew the gas out.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, characterizes the present financial crisis as nothing more nor less than a "gamblers' panic," and warns employers of labor against attempting wage reductions at their peril, because, he says, labor will not tolerate it. He recommends that labor and civic organizations, which have withdrawn money from the banks, help "defeat the gamblers' scheme" by investing in government bonds.

Raffaele Ruffano and his wife, Antoinette, were murdered in Garfield, N. J., Saturday night. Early yesterday a neighbor found the woman's body on the walk in front of the grocery store which the couple owned. In the kitchen Ruffano's body was found lying on the floor. Both had been shot in the head. Ruffano had evidently been killed instantly, but a trail of blood showed where his wife had crawled through the store and to the walk. There is no clue to the murderer.

Sixteen lives are said to have been lost and fifty houses were destroyed by a cloudburst at San Jose, Del Caba, in Lower California, on October 14, according to Capt. Paulson and passengers on the steamer Curacao, which arrived there from Mazatlan yesterday. The rain was preceded by a hurricane which blew with great fury for upward of twelve hours. Small craft in the harbor were sunk and a number of large vessels badly damaged. Several persons were carried out to sea. Two new wireless stations were destroyed and orange and lemon groves were ruined.

As a result of the murder Saturday night of "Tom" Thompson, assistant chief of police, at Talladega, Ala., Fred Singleton, a negro, was riddled with bullets by pursuers early yesterday. Policeman Ottwell was shot in the leg. Two other negroes, implicated in the killing of Thompson, were placed in the jail at Sylacauga for safe keeping. Thompson Saturday night arrested three craphooters. They told him they knew where a big crap game was in progress, and directed the officer to the chemical plant. When Thompson arrived there he was fired on simultaneously from several directions.

William Frederick John, a stonemason, who lived with his family in the fashionable Dyker Heights section of Brooklyn, shot and killed his wife yesterday and then put a bullet in his head. The woman died instantly, and John was removed to a hospital, where his death occurred several hours later. The couple's two little girls, Rita and Olive, aged two and four years, respectively, witnessed the double tragedy, and while the father was firing at the wife the children crept under the bed and remained there, shrieking at the top of their voices, until the police arrived. Jealously led to the tragedy.

In view of 300 people, Jim Davis, a negro, who had shot two negro women early yesterday, leaped from the railing of the Tennessee river bridge at Knoxville Tennessee yesterday afternoon, and was drowned before he could be rescued, although a riverman went immediately to his rescue in a skiff. The death leap measured fully 100 feet. Pursued by two deputy sheriffs, Davis climbed to the top of the railing, and pulling a pistol from his pocket, fired five times in the air, scattering the crowd, which was trying to prevent him from suicide. In his last words before leaping Davis asserted that he had killed twenty-eight persons.

### Virginia News.

Rev. Father T. J. Brady, pastor of St. Paul's Catholic Church at Portsmouth, died on Saturday.

The annual convention of the Virginia division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, will be held in Norfolk commencing on Wednesday.

Sewanee defeated the University of Virginia, 12 to 0, in a football game in Norfolk Saturday afternoon. The game was played in a driving rain and mud soaked deep.

In sight of her mother and sister, Miss Bessie Leighton, of 1829 north Twenty-ninth street, Richmond, was struck Saturday night with some blunt instrument and left for dead in the street.

The National Meter Company, of New York, asks that a receiver be appointed for the Jamestown Exposition. The suit has been referred to a commissioner, and on his report it will be determined.

Louis Sedlitz, a Russian, made a desperate attempt to escape from Detective Duke, of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, when he jumped from the window of a flying train, near Gordonsville, Saturday night. The train was going at a rate of 45 miles an hour. Sedlitz was rearrested later when he went to a nearby farmhouse to secure aid. He was suffering from severe wounds.

With an ugly gash over his temple, J. H. Seawell, a young man who has been rooming at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. T. Young, in Norfolk, was taken to the Central police station in that city yesterday, and a warrant issued necessary to rush him to St. Vincent's Hospital, a warrant was secured for his arrest on the charge of assault. When Mrs. Young reached the station and was asked for her version of the difficulty which had occurred at her home she declared that she was merely defending herself, and insisted that the young man had insulted her. Mrs. Young claims that while her husband was out of the city Seawell's attentions to her had become annoying.

### PROBING CENTRAL GEORGIA.

The State Railroad Commission Saturday issued an order calling upon the Central of Georgia Railroad and the Southern Railway Company for "full disclosures touching the sale of the stock of the former, so far as the facts may be known to them or their companies, or appearing in the books or documents in their possession."

The Commission also requested a complete list of all stockholders of the Central of Georgia at the present time, and at all times since October 1, 1895. The desired information must be furnished on or before November 15.

It has been charged that the Southern Railway Company is controlling interest in the Central of Georgia, contrary to a State law prohibiting one line from owning stock in a competing company.

It is asserted in New York that E. H. Harriman had bought control of the Central of Georgia Railroad from Oak-lich Thorne, president of the Trust Company of America, and Mersden J. Perry, a director of the Trust Company of America and a close business associate of Thorne. Several months ago Thorne and Perry bought the Central of Georgia from the Southern Railway which was unable to hold it longer owing to public opposition.

### BISHOP OF LONDON PRAISES VIRGINIA.

The Bishop of London has published some reminiscences of his American tour. He says there was an enormous crowd at Trinity Church during his first sermon, all of whom desired to shake hands with him. This prepared him for the future events, and he was not surprised when he afterward met an American bishop with his hand limp and useless, who told him that it was not caused by an operation, but only by constant handshaking.

The bishop says he cannot understand how his friendly tennis match with the President became famous. He goes on: "Virginia is the place where an Englishman feels most at home in America. He is spoiled by the kindness and attention of the Virginians, who love England and are proud of their English ancestry."

The bishop was much impressed by Yale College and by the fact that there the leading Christians were also the leading athletes. He concludes by declaring that he left the United States with affection and admiration for the great people. He believes the supposed ill-feeling toward England has been greatly exaggerated, and that what once may have existed is rapidly passing away with intercourse and the kindling of many friendships and ties.

### A Hard Debt to Pay.

"I owe a debt of gratitude that can never be paid," writes G. S. Clark of Westfield, Iowa, "for my rescue from death, by Dr. King's New Discovery. Both lungs were so seriously affected that death seemed imminent, when I commenced taking New Discovery. The ominous dry, hacking cough quit before the first bottle was used, and two more bottles made a complete cure." Nothing has ever equaled New Discovery for coughs, colds and all throat and lung complaints. Guaranteed by all druggists. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

### DEATH OF MAJOR HUNT.

Major Albert Lee Hunt, of Richmond, aged 69, died at his home in that city Saturday after a brief illness. Major Hunt was a native of Maryland, and had long resided in Virginia. He was living in Tennessee when the call for troops was made, and he at once returned to his adopted state and enlisted in the Alexandria Rifles.

He was soon transferred to J. E. B. Stuart, with whom he remained until General Stuart's death. Being then transferred to General Wade Hampton's staff, Major Hunt served as a member of Hampton's staff until the war ended. At the close of the war he engaged in the wholesale grocery business in Richmond with his wartime comrade, Major W. J. Johnson, the firm being Johnson & Hunt. He is survived by several children.

When the stomach, heart, or kidney becomes weak, then these organs usually fail. Don't neglect the stomach, nor stimulate the heart or kidneys. That is simply a makeshift. Get a prescription known to Druggists everywhere as Dr. Sloop's Restorative. The Restorative is prepared expressly for these weak inside nerves. Strengthen the nerves, build them up with Dr. Sloop's Restorative—tablets or liquid—and you see how quickly health will come. Free sample sent on request by Dr. Sloop, Boston, Wis. Your health is surely worth this simple test. Sold by E. S. Leadbeater & Sons.

### Today's Telegraphic News.

#### Sinking of a Steamship.

Boston, Nov. 4.—The Savannah line steamship City of Birmingham struck a rock in Boston harbor and sank in forty feet of water between Oyster Island and Fort Independence early today. The officers and crew got off in the life boats barely in time. There were no passengers aboard. Only the vessel's smokestacks and masts were visible and she will be a total loss. The Birmingham struck a derelict in Savannah harbor in 1898 and knocked a hole her hull. She also narrowly escaped destruction by shots fired in target practice from the proving grounds while passing Sandy Hook two years later. She was one of the best vessels in the coast service and was thoroughly rebuilt and refitted ten years ago.

It was subsequently reported that a member of the crew is missing.

#### Apartment House Destroyed.

New York, Nov. 4.—A woman is missing, many persons and hair breadth escapes and \$30,000 damage was done as a result of a fire which destroyed the Townsend apartments on 121st street near Seventh avenue early today. The fire originated on the second floor exactly where another one started less than a month ago. The cause is not known. The families of A. C. Arnold, Adam True and J. Lang were driven to the roof, where they tore down railings, laid an improvised bridge across a six foot area and crossed to the roof of an adjoining building. Other families were carried from the upper floors down scaling ladders. When he reached the street, Mr. Arnold found that his wife, Marie, had disappeared in the confusion. Grave fears are entertained for her. The apartments belonged to a Mrs. Townsend, of New Bedford, Mass.

#### Banks Closed.

Aurora, Ind., Nov. 4.—Aurora National Bank was forced to close its doors this morning. The institution was established in 1833. It had a paid-up capital of \$50,000 and its deposits are estimated at \$165,000.

Leetonia, O., Nov. 4.—The First National Bank of Leetonia, capital \$100,000, closed its doors today. A poster announced that the bank had closed to liquidate. Officers say the institution is solvent and that all claims will be discharged. The bank lost business following the organization of a rival bank several months ago. The First National was organized in 1835. C. N. Schrick, of Cleveland, is president. He is here to close up the affairs.

#### Farmer Attacked.

Dayton, O., Nov. 4.—Waylaid with his foster daughter while strolling in the woods west of here yesterday, John Mohlen, a rich farmer, is at the point of death from a frightful injury inflicted on him, supposedly by whitecaps. The young woman told a confused story of the ambush, asserting that she was herself attacked after her foster father had been wounded and tied to a tree. She admits, however, that her relations with Mohlen had been improper.

#### Injured by Explosions.

New York, Nov. 4.—A dozen men injured, two fatally, by a series of explosions of over-charged steam pipes in the McAdoo tunnel excavation at Cortlandt and Greenwich streets today. The first explosion was followed by a chorus of screams of pain and terror from the forty men at work in the pit. The cries were drowned an instant later by a second blast and for 15 minutes pipe after pipe gave way with reports like the fire of heavy guns.

#### Hindoos Attacked.

Everett, Wn., Nov. 4.—Smoldering feeling against the Hindoos imported to Everett as laborers, has broken into a flame and two attacks have been made on their quarters during the last 24 hours. Today many Hindoos are fleeing the city, and all who are not gone by night will be deported. During the attacks the quarters of the Hindoos were wreck by the crowd and the foreigners were compelled to seek shelter in the jail and the police station.

#### Two Hundred Thousand Dollar Fire.

Lockport, N. Y., Nov. 4.—A \$200,000 fire at 4 p. m. today destroyed the Franklin Mills Company, the Lockport Excelsior Company, the R. G. Hovey Coal Trestle and office and the signal towers in the main yard of the New York Central Railroad in addition to many freight cars. An alleged defective electric wire in the excelsior plant was the cause. The heaviest loss falls on the Franklin Mills, a six story stone structure.

#### Pumored Engagement.

Paris, Nov. 4.—The long-rumored engagement of the divorced Countess de Castellaine, formerly Anna Goud, to Prince de Sagan, Count Boni's cousin, is affirmed now as a fact in French society. Though neither the prince nor the countess will yet discuss the matter, it is said the engagement will shortly be publicly announced. The Prince de Sagan is a popular society man, an expert fencer and possesses a fortune of his own.

#### Confession of a Murderer.

Pokepsie, N. Y., Nov. 4.—Vincenzo Varcari, an eighteen-year-old Sicilian arrested today on the charge of killing Ross King, who was killed last night while standing on the Dutchess avenue bridge over the New York Central tracks, has confessed, according to the police. A blood-bound was used by the police in running down Varcari.

#### Troops Sent After Turkomans.

Netherland, Persia, Nov. 4.—A strong force of troops has been sent out by the Persian government to deal with Turkomans who have been looting Astrabad and other Persian towns in its vicinity. A battle is believed to be imminent. In the fighting at the point attacked by the Turkomans many persons were killed.

#### LETTER TO DR. J. H. BITZER.

Alexandria, Virginia.

Dear Sir: We can't get over talking about those two houses at Fairfax, Tenn., owned by Judge I. D. Fairchild.

Both houses are exactly alike and both painted at the same time by J. M. Torrance. One took 154 gallons Devco; the other 25. A lot of another paint sold at same price. That 25 gallon paint is weak and 15 per cent. whitening; that's why it took 24 gallons more.

Yours truly,  
F. W. DEVCO & Co.  
P. S.—ES. Leadbeater & Sons sell our paint.

The Market.  
Georgetown, Nov. 4.—Wheat 78c.

### Financial Conference.

New York, Nov. 4.—Developments, perhaps the most startling that have yet marked the present financial crisis, are looked for today as a result of a series of conferences of financiers which began yesterday afternoon at the Waldorf-Astoria and continued until 4:30 a. m. today at J. Pierpont Morgan's mansion. Information concerning the outcome of the meetings was positively refused when the money kings scattered at dawn.

That affairs of the Trust Company of America and the Lincoln Trust Company were the main topics under consideration is the general opinion. The question of distributing the \$8,000,000 which will arrive today from Europe, desired currency legislation, the United States Steel Corporation's adoption of a method of payments partly in cash and partly by check as a means of conserving the specie supply, and other business matters which the pressures of last week's affairs made it impossible to take up as they arose, are said to have been considered.

Rumors concerning the two trust companies' future crowded reports of other matters into the background, however. The most persistent story was that the city's leading bankers had deemed changes in the institution's management expedient, that new officers are to be named and perhaps have already been chosen and that both concerns may be strengthened by combination with others which have not felt the stress of the financial crisis in so marked a degree. The officers of the two companies are reported to have objected strenuously to retirement, however.

Additional engagements of gold for importation to this country from Europe on account of the money stringency were announced today, bringing the total to \$32,500,000.

### Mysterious Murder.

Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 4.—Deep mystery surrounds the murder of Dr. P. McF. Allen by Tom S. Bush, for whom he acted as family physician. Both men are prominent in business and society. Bush shot Dr. Allen last evening, killing him instantly. He had been sitting on the curb in front of the doctor's office when the doctor came out. "Doctor I hate to do this, but I must," said Bush, as he drew a revolver from his pocket. "Don't do it, Tom," cried the doctor, but he was too late. Bush fired directly at his heart; then turned calmly and walked away. He went to his father's office and telephoned the police to come and arrest him, that he had murdered a man. Bush, since he was jailed, has refused absolutely to make any statement.

### Collisions.

Redding, Conn., Nov. 4.—A rear-end collision of two freight trains occurred here at 3 o'clock this morning. An engine and nine cars were badly smashed and derailed and four trainmen badly hurt. One of them had his leg severed. All the injured were taken to Danbury. The tracks are blocked and wrecking trains are clearing up the wreck.

Little Rock, Ark., Nov. 4.—Five were killed and at least twenty were injured in a head-on collision between a north-bound passenger train and a south-bound freight near Riggins switch, eight miles from Little Rock, on the Iron Mountain Railroad last night. Several persons were seriously injured.

### Killed Wife and Shot Himself.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 4.—George Poplar jumped from a street car on Edmondson avenue, near Brune street, this morning, shot his wife, Grace, and then, after having cut her throat, shot himself. She died at the Maryland General Hospital and he is at the hospital in a critical condition. They had been separated about a week.

### Plant Closes.

Pittsburg, Nov. 4.—Morehead Brothers' mills, employing four hundred men, closed down today. The plant has been operating steadily for the past year, but on Friday announcement was made that there would be a cut of \$1 on puddlers. The men did not go out on strike, as all seemed willing to accept the reduction.

### Pittsburg Stock Exchange.

Pittsburg, Pa., Nov. 4.—Secretary Charles J. Holman announced this morning that the stock exchange will not open today. It will be two weeks tomorrow since the exchange closed owing to the financial flurry in New York. As tomorrow is a legal holiday the exchange will be closed.

### Earthquake Shocks.

Cape Girardeau, Mo., Nov. 4.—Two distinct earthquake shocks were felt here last night at 9:45, of such intensity that buildings rocked, windows rattled, dishes were shaken from their shelves and scores of persons, fearing that buildings would fall, rushed into the streets.

### New York Stock Market.

New York, Nov. 4.—The stock market opened at general decline. The room was full of rumors this morning that the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company had been acquired by the United States Steel Corporation, the deal closed at a conference held at 2 a. m. last night. There was some liquidation in Pennsylvania, which opened, ex-dividend of 34, at 103 1/4, a net decline of one point from Saturday's close, but opening loss in this stock was more than recovered on a buying movement that immediately developed on the floor. Other stocks after a show of weakness moved up just the same, almost recovering the initial losses in most cases. The Harman stocks were under some special pressure during the hour. Broken in many of the most active stocks have a story that a large part of the buying orders in the market come from, or are inspired by J. P. Morgan & Co. It is current report that one step taken at yesterday's conference was the formation of a bankers' pool. The demand for stocks became more urgent in the afternoon, while the supply decreased at the higher levels reached.

James R. Bod, cashier of the Hanleyville, Ala., Bank and Trust Company, committed suicide today.

### THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

Alexandria, Va.

TUESDAY, November 5th, election day. Being a legal holiday, this office will be closed. GEO. E. WATFIELD, Cashier.

\$1,500 PURCHASES corner grocery and provision STORE, including HORSE and WAGON. Rent, \$25. Per building now renting for \$15. M. B. HARLOW & CO., Inc., 111 South Fairfax street.

NOTICE is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the COLUMBIA HOTEL COMPANY will be held at the company's office, No. 123 north Royal street, Alexandria, Va., on MONDAY, November 25th at 2 p. m. for the election of President and Directors for the ensuing year, and such other business as may come before it.

W. S. HARBAW, Secretary.